

Alexandria Gazette

THURSDAY EVENING, SEPT. 19, 1878.

Episcopal Church News.

—The Manchester, England, *Examiner* says that the Rev. William Impey has resigned his office as General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in South-eastern Africa. Some time ago Mr. Impey wrote to the mission secretaries in London expressing his inability any longer to enforce on his brethren, or on the Kaffir converts of the mission, the "plain grammatical sense" of the words in the Methodist standards, which require it to be taught that "hell is a dark and bottomless pit, full of fire and brimstone, in which the wicked will be punished for ever and ever, by having their bodies tormented by the fire and their souls by a sense of the wrath of God." At the request of the secretaries he came to London and conferred with them, and the result has been that he was compelled to resign his position. His connection with the Wesleyan ministry has thus ceased after serving as a missionary for forty years.

—There are now in the State of New York five bishops, having charge of as many dioceses, and 76,644 communicants. The first convention of the original New York diocese was opened June 22, 1785. There were then in the diocese, five clergymen. The first division occurred in 1838, resulting in the creation of the diocese of Western New York. This was also divided in 1868, creating the diocese of Central New York. The original New York diocese was again divided in 1868, at which time Long Island and Albany were made separate dioceses. Notwithstanding these deductions from its strength, the diocese of New York still has 305 clergymen and 30,000 communicants.

Miss Cotton, only child and heiress of the Rev. Dr. Cotton, Provost of Worcester College, Oxford, and niece of Dr. Pusey, has just succeeded to Rome. Miss Cotton has for several years past been an advanced Ritualist, and a regular attendant at St. Barnabas Church, Oxford.

—Rev. Pierre Irving, a nephew of Washington Irving, and thirty years rector of Christ church, New Brighton, Staten Island, died at that place on Tuesday, September 10, at the age of seventy-one years. Rev. Mr. Irving resembled his illustrious relative in the gentleness of his character and was beloved by his parishioners, who voted him a life pension on his retirement from the pulpit five years ago. Since that time his health had been delicate and his death was not unexpected.

—The 59th Convention of the diocese of Maine met in Portland, September 3. By the new constitution, lay deputies must be communicants, or if the election of communicants is impracticable, stated worshippers in the parish. The secretary and treasurer, though elected annually, are made permanent officers "of the diocese," not of the convention merely, and hold office until their successors are chosen.

—The Rev. J. D. Gilliland, the rector of Trinity church, Bristol, Conn., the other day astonished his congregation by sending them a letter announcing his resignation of his pastorate and his intention of joining the Roman Catholic Church.

—The administrator of the estate of Bishop H. W. Lee has brought suit against Grissold College and Bishop Perry for the sale of Grace Cathedral, and the grounds belonging to it, in Davenport, Iowa, to pay the sum of \$12,000 advanced by Bishop Lee for the erection and furnishing of the cathedral.—*Southern Churchman.*

BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD.

The great double-track NATIONAL ROUTE AND SHORT LINE TO THE NORTH, NORTHWEST, WEST, AND SOUTHWEST.

TO TAKE EFFECT Sunday, June 9th, 1878, at 4:15 a. m.

A. M. Leave Washington:

7:15—NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA AND BOSTON EXPRESS. Ellicott City. On Sundays to Baltimore only. Stops at Shipley's, Laurel, Annapolis Junction, Jessup's, Hanover and Elk Ridge. 6:00—Baltimore, Annapolis and Way. (Cranberry, Strasburg, Winchester, Georgetown, and Way via Relay.)

7:15—BALTIMORE AND LAUREL EXPRESS. 8:00—Point of Rocks, Cranberry, Strasburg, Winchester, Hagerstown and Way Stations.

8:00—NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA, BOSTON AND BALTIMORE EXPRESS. Parlor cars to New York and Philadelphia. Stops at Annapolis Junction.

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